

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:964
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OPENING CONSULATES IN STATE CAPITALS
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has a proposal to open consulates of foreign countries, especially the Gulf Countries in the State capitals ;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ; and
- (c) the time by when a final decision is likely to be taken in this regard ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) and (c) Do not arise.